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1. SUMMARY - AMBASSADOR UNGER'S JUNE 19 TAIPEI AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPEECH HEADLINED IN LEADING UNITED DAILY NEWS AND CHINA TIMES WITH OFFICIAL CENTRAL DAILY NEWS CARRYING FULL TEXT NOTABLY WITH USIS TRANSLATIONS OF PEKING AND PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN BRACKETS. CENTRAL DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL HAILED AMBASSADOR'S COMPREHENSION OF CURRENT WORLD SITUATION AND HIS DEEP FEELINGS FOR SINO-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP BUT POINTED OUT GROG DETERMINATION TO ABIDE BY FIXED, LONG-STANDING POLICY MAINTAINING ANTI-COMMUNIST UNCOMPROMISING POSITION. END SUMMARY.

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2. AMBASSADOR UNGER'S JUNE 19 SPEECH BEFORE TAIPEI

AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HEADLINED IN LEADING UNITED DAILY NEWS 7 20,000) AND CHINA TIMES (280,000) WITH OFFICIAL CENTRAL DAILY NEWS (220,000) CARRYING FULL TEXT, NOTABLY WITH USIS TRANSLATION OF PEKING AND PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN BRACKETS. ALL MAJOR PAPERS CARRIED SUBSTANTIAL EXCERPTS WITH MOST FOLLOWING CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY'S VERSION PUTTING PEKING AND PRC IN PARENTHESES, EXCEPT FOR UNITED DAILY NEWS WHICH CHANGED "PEKING" TO "PEIPING" AND "PRC" TO "CHINESE COMMUNISTS" AND DID NOT MENTION SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE. ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHINA POST SAID IT WOULD CARRY FULL TEXT JUNE 21.

2. OFFICIAL CENTRAL DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL ENTITLED "THERE IS NO COMPROMISE AND DIVISION OF FREEDOM," HAILED AMBASSADOR FOR COMPREHENSION OF CURRENT WORLD SITUATION AND DEEP FEELINGS FOR SINO-AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP. PAPER NOTING SPEECH IN TWO PARTS, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC, SAID POLITICS AND ECONOMICS ARE ACTUALLY ONE THING WITH TWO DIFFERENT ASPECTS. "TODAY'S INTERDEPENDENCE AND MUTUAL INTERESTS IN DEVELOPING ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN U.S. AND ROC ARE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF OUR SHARING OF THE SAME POLITICAL IDEALS... IT IS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND AMBASSADOR UNGER'S ANALYSIS IN HIS SPEECH OF THE POLITICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES... AS THE AMBASSADOR SAID: "RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR IS THE CENTRAL BASIS OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY," AND WE SHOULD APPRECIATE AND BELIEVE THE U.S. PLEDGES BASED ON THE TRADITIONAL AND FRIENDLY SINO-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIPS. BUT WE MUST POINT OUT THAT ROC IS DETERMINED TO ABIDE BY THE FIXED LONG-STANDING POLICY OF MAINTAINING ITS ANTI-COMMUNIST AND UNCOMPROMISING POSITION. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THERE WILL BE NO COMPROMISE IN THE TOTAL CONTENTION BETWEEN DEMOCRATIC FREEDOM AND COMMUNIST TYRANNY. AND WE ARE CONVINCED THAT FREEDOM WILL EVENTUALLY PREVAIL AND CRUSH SERVITUDE, AND THAT JUSTICE WILL WIN OVER EVIL." PAPER SAID BASIC VITAL MISSION OF ROC TO RECOVER MAINLAND CAN NEVER BE ACCOMPLISHED BY RESORTING TO THE IDEA OF "CONSULTATIONS VERSUS CONFRONTATION." U.S. SHOULD TAKE LOOK AT IMPACTS OF ITS ACCOMMODATION WITH MAOISTS ON UNCLASSIFIED

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SOUTHEAST ASIA AND WORLD AS WHOLE AND REVIVAL OF COMMUNIST ANTI-U.S.-IMPERIALISTS FUROR IN MAINLAND CHINA. "WE HAVE REPEATEDLY WARNED PEOPLE OF WORLD THERE IS NO COMPROMISE AND DIVISION OF FREEDOM... IF THERE WERE A WAY FOR APPEASEMENT AND COMPROMISE TO WIN A GENERATION OF PEACE, THEN MANKIND WOULD HAVE ESCAPED THE CATASTROPHES WAGED BY HITLER AND TOJO... WE THANK AMBASSADOR UNGER FOR HIS GENEROUS COMPLIMENTS TO US, BUT WE ARE MOST PROUD OF

ROC'S DIGNITY AND OUR CONSTRUCTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
PRESENT WORLD IN ADHERING TO UNFLINCHING ANTI-COMMUNIST
TASK OF FULLFILLING OUR MISSION OF NATIONAL RECOVER."
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